

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS18758C1

This bill limits authority of the state fire marshal and assistants to enforce application of the International Fire Code to buildings, structures and premises owned or leased by the state or its political subdivisions. The bill allows cities and counties at their discretion to contract with the state fire marshal to perform inspections. The bill adopts the 2006 International fire code for buildings, structures and premises owned or leased by the state or its political subdivisions. It requires any new fire code edition updates to be approved by the legislature. With this change the cities and counties will have discretion to adopt fire codes or parts thereof related to privately owned residential and commercial buildings and structures which suit the needs of their locality. The state fire marshal will remain responsible for state wide statistical reporting and will have authority in arson investigations. The eligibility requirements for the state fire marshal are moved out of the section governing duties of the fire marshal and set forth in a new section, but are otherwise unchanged.

FISCAL NOTE

There should be no impact to the general fund

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